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In re application of:

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Art Unit: 1641

Application No.: 09/548,883

Filed: April 13, 2000

For: MULTI-ANALYTE THYROID
DIAGNOSTIC TEST FOR
THYROID DISORDERS

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 28, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 1 to read as follows. At the end of this document is a marked-up version of claim 1 showing the changes made by this amendment.

- 1 1. (amended) A method for analyzing a single patient sample to
- 2 simultaneously determine levels of thyroid stimulating hormone, triiodothyronine,
- 3 thyroxine, and thyroid peroxidase, as a collective indication of thyroid disorders, said
- 4 method comprising:

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